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Mansfield Advisory Committee on Persons with Disabilities

Regular Meeting - Tuesday March 23, 2010
2:30 PM - Conference Room B - Audrey P. Beck Building

I. Recording Attendance

Present: K. Grunwald (staff), W. Gibbs (Chair), J. Blanshard, J. Tanner

Regrets: K.A. Easley, F. Goetz, J. Sidney,

II. Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the February 23, 2010 meeting were accepted with the correction of one small typo.

III. New Business

- a. ADA Grievance: Maria Capriola was unable to attend this meeting due to being out sick. She will be invited to attend the April meeting to discuss the role of this committee as the ADA Grievance Committee.
- b. Review of goals for this year: There was some discussion of goals previously identified, with significant focus on enforcement of handicapped parking violations, publicity (continued use of the website) and access to the Post Office buildings.
- c. "Other": none.

IV. Old Business

- a. Transportation Resources: A press release was sent out regarding expanded Dial-A-Ride services. K. Grunwald will create a brochure for all transportation services, and information will be sent to the Chronicle, the Reminder, and the Daily Campus.
- b. Network for parents of children with disabilities: no discussion. It was suggested that the group look at recruiting Melissa Shippee or another parent to be a member of this group.
- c. ADA Grievance Procedure: Maria Capriola was unavailable for this meeting. She will be invited to attend the April meeting to discuss this issue. J. Blanshard questioned when this committee agreed to accept this role. K. Grunwald pointed out that it was adopted as one of the goals for the committee for this year.

- d. Accessible Parking Fines/Signs: J. Tanner has taken pictures of parking spaces at privately controlled lots in town to inventory handicapped parking spaces. W. Gibbs distributed a draft letter which will be sent along with a picture of the sign indicating the fine to these landlords.
 - e. Publicity efforts: J. Tanner and J. Blanshard will draft an article about the committee for publication.
 - f. Status of other accessibility issues previously identified: no discussion.
- V. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 3:35 PM. Next meeting April 27.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Grunwald